

# IRISH LAND COMMISSION.

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## RETURN

OF

## PROCEEDINGS

UNDER

"THE LAND LAW (IRELAND) ACTS, 1881 AND 1887;" "THE  
LABOURERS (IRELAND) ACTS, 1885-1886;" AND "THE  
PURCHASE OF LAND (IRELAND) ACT, 1885,"

DURING THE MONTH OF

APRIL, 1889.

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## IRISH LAND COMMISSION.

## MONTH OF APRIL, 1889.

Summary of Proceedings under "The Land Law (Ireland) Acts, 1881 and 1887," up to the 30th day of April, 1889; also of Proceedings up to same date, under "The Labourers (Ireland) Acts, 1885-1886," and under "The Purchase of Land (Ireland) Act, 1885."

## COURT OF THE IRISH LAND COMMISSION.

## I.—FAIR RENT.

(a) *In Court.*

Applications under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1881," to have Fair Rents fixed in Court to 30th March, 1889, . . . . .	164,606	164,997	Rents Fixed— By Chief Commission to 30th March, 1889, . . . . .	1,506	1,899
Applications received in month of April, 1889, . . . . .	393		" in month of April, 1889, . . . . .	96	
Applications under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1881," to have Fair Rents fixed in Court, transferred from Civil Bill Courts, to 30th March, 1889, Do. in month of April, 1889, . . . . .	7,346	7,397	By Sub-Commissions to 30th March, 1889, . . . . .	105,008	106,364
Do. in month of April, 1889, . . . . .	51		" in month of April, 1889, . . . . .	1,303	
Applications by Leaseholders under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1887," to have Fair Rents fixed in Court to 30th March, 1889, Applications received in month of April, 1889, . . . . .	24,335	24,350	Dismissed and struck out— By Chief Commission to 30th March, 1889, . . . . .	1,498	1,499
Do. in month of April, 1889, . . . . .	215		" in month of April, 1889, . . . . .	1	
Applications by Leaseholders under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1887," to have Fair Rents fixed in Court, transferred from Civil Bill Courts, to 30th March, 1889, Do. in month of April, 1889, . . . . .	777	814	By Sub-Commissions to 30th March, 1889, . . . . .	25,531	25,812
Do. in month of April, 1889, . . . . .	37		" in month of April, 1889, . . . . .	291	
Total, . . . . .	—	197,659	Withdrawn*— By Chief Commission to 30th March, 1889, . . . . .	4,158	4,158
			" in month of April, 1889, . . . . .	—	
			By Sub-Commissions to 30th March, 1889, . . . . .	7,209	7,387
			" in month of April, 1889, . . . . .	18	
			Total disposed of, . . . . .	—	147,112

(b) *Out of Court.*

Agreements out of Court, in Form 35, fixing Fair Rent to 30th March, 1889, . . . . .	58,800
Do. do. in month of April, 1889, . . . . .	1,635
Total, . . . . .	97,435

\* An application to fix a Fair Rent cannot be withdrawn without the consent of both Landlord and Tenant, and it may be inferred, where applications for leave to withdraw are made, that a rent has been agreed upon between the parties.

## II.—MISCELLANEOUS ORIGINATING NOTICES.†

Miscellaneous Originating Notices (e.g., Sale of Tenancies and Resumption of Holdings, &c.): Applications received to 30th March, 1889, . . . . .	993	1,003	Number disposed of to 30th March, 1889, . . . . .	1,425
Applications received in month of April, 1889, . . . . .	10		“ in month of April, 1889, . . . . .	34
Miscellaneous Originating Notices (e.g., Sale of Tenancies and Resumption of Holdings, &c.) transferred from Civil Bill Courts to 30th March, 1889, . . . . .	26	28		
Do. in month of April, 1889, . . . . .	—			
Applications by Leaseholders to be declared Tenants of present tenancies (Form 81) received to 30th March, 1889, . . . . .	625	856		
Applications in month of April, 1889, . . . . .	31			
Total, . . . . .	—	1,685	Total disposed of, . . . . .	1,459

† The first notice of application to the Court, seeking its decision upon the true value of a tenancy, fair rent, avoidance of leases, or any other question which the Court has jurisdiction to decide under the Act, is termed an Originating Notice.

## III.—APPLICATIONS BY LESSOR OR GRANTOR TO HAVE LEASE OR GRANT EXECUTED SINCE 1ST JANUARY, 1869, DECLARED VOID (“LAND LAW (IRELAND) ACT, 1887,”—SEC. 2.)—FORM 80.

Number of Applications received to 23rd February, 1889, *	55	Leases or Grants declared void to 30th March, 1889, . . . . .	19	19
		“ in month of April, 1889, . . . . .	—	
		Applications dismissed or struck out to 30th March, 1889, . . . . .	1	1
		“ in month of April, 1889, . . . . .	—	
		Applications withdrawn or compromised to 30th March, 1889, . . . . .	—	—
		“ in month of April, 1889, . . . . .	—	
Total, . . . . .	55	Total disposed of, . . . . .	—	20

\* The time limited in the Act for lodging an Application of this kind expired on the 23rd February, 1889.

## IV.—APPLICATIONS BY MIDDLEMAN CLAIMING TO BE ENTITLED TO SURRENDER HIS HOLDING UNDER SEC. 8 OF “LAND LAW (IRELAND) ACT, 1887.”—FORM 83.

Number of Applications received to 30th March, 1889, . . . . .	7	7	Applications granted to 30th March, 1889, . . . . .	—	—
“ in month of April, 1889, . . . . .	—		“ in month of April, 1889, . . . . .	—	
“ Transferred from Civil Bill Courts to 30th March, 1889, . . . . .	2	2	Applications dismissed or struck out to 30th March, 1889, . . . . .	—	—
“ in month of April, 1889, . . . . .	—		“ in month of April, 1889, . . . . .	—	
		2	Applications withdrawn to 30th March, 1889, . . . . .	—	—
			“ in month of April, 1889, . . . . .	—	
Total, . . . . .	—	9	Total disposed of, . . . . .	—	—

## V.—PROCEEDINGS UNDER THE LABOURERS (IRELAND) ACTS, 1885-1886.

Applications received to 30th Mar., 1889, . . .	2,888	Rents fixed to 30th March, 1889, . . .	1,401	
" in April, 1889, . . .	—	" in April, 1889, . . .	—	1,401
		Applications dismissed, struck out, and withdrawn to 30th March, 1889, . . .	166	
		" in April, 1889, . . .	—	166
Total, . . .	2,888	Total disposed of . . .	—	1,547

## VI.—APPEALS TO FAIR RENT, &amp;c.

Number of Appeals lodged to 30th March, 1889, . . .	30,561	Number heard to 30th Mar., 1889, . . .	10,709	
" in month of April, 1889, . . .	364	" in month of April, 1889, . . .	* 244	10,973
		Number dismissed or struck out to 30th March, 1889, . . .	‡ 1,070	
		" in month of April, 1889, . . .	3	
			1,073	
		Deduct cases reinstated to 30th April, 1889, . . .	244	809
		Number withdrawn to 30th March, 1889, . . .	11,870	
		" in month of April, 1889, . . .	89	11,959
		Total Number disposed of, . . .	—	23,741
		Remaining to be disposed of, . . .	—	7,178
Total, . . .	30,917	Total, . . .	—	30,917

\* The full number of Appeals decided by Court in April, 1889.

‡ In 462 cases the notices were struck out because appeals were not lodged, as required by Rule 14, and in 431 cases because the notices were not duly stamped. Of the former 89 cases, and of the latter 207 cases, were reinstated.

## VII.—PURCHASE OF LAND (IRELAND) ACT, 1885.

	Number.	Amount.
Loans applied for to 30th March, 1889, . . . . .	18,046	£ 8,538,128
" in April, 1889, . . . . .	206	101,604
	18,252	8,639,732
Loans sanctioned to 30th March, 1889, . . . . .	12,847	5,271,566
" in April, 1889, . . . . .	109	47,615
	12,956	5,319,181
Loans issued to 30th March, 1889, . . . . .	9,443	3,985,140
" in April, 1889, . . . . .	76	46,847
	9,519	4,031,987

## CIVIL BILL COURTS.

## MONTH OF APRIL, 1889.

Summary of Proceedings under "The Land Law (Ireland) Acts, 1881 and 1887," as notified to the Irish Land Commission, up to the 30th day of April, 1889.

## I. FAIR RENT.

(a) *In Court.*

Applications under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1881," to have Fair Rents fixed in Court to 30th March, 1889, . . . . .	21,490	21,546	Rents fixed to 30th Mar., 1889, . . . . .	10,199	10,367
Applications received in month of April, 1889, . . . . .	76		" in month of April, 1889, . . . . .	158	
Applications by Leaseholders under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1887," to have Fair Rents fixed to 30th March, 1889, . . . . .	2,373	2,310	Applications dismissed or struck out to 30th Mar., 1889, . . . . .	2,231	2,238
Applications received in month of April, 1889, . . . . .	33		" in month of April, 1889, . . . . .	7	
Applications to fix Fair Rents in Civil Bill Courts under sec. 6 "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1887," when an adjournment is pending to 30th Mar., 1889, . . . . .	1,019	1,079	Applications withdrawn* to 30th Mar., 1889, . . . . .	255	255
Applications received in month of April, 1889, . . . . .	69		" in month of April, 1889, . . . . .	—	
			Applications transferred to Irish Land Commission Court to 30th Mar., 1889, . . . . .	8,023	
			" in month of April, 1889, . . . . .	88	
Total, . . . . .	—	24,955	Total disposed of, . . . . .	—	20,961

(b) *Out of Court.*

Agreements out of Court, in Form No. 33, fixing Fair Rent to 30th March, 1889, . . . . .	6,739
Do., do., in month of April, 1889, . . . . .	4
Total, . . . . .	6,733

\* An application to fix a Fair Rent cannot be withdrawn without the consent of both Landlord and Tenant, and it may be inferred, where applications for leave to withdraw are made, that a rent has been agreed upon between the parties.

## II.—MISCELLANEOUS ORIGINATING NOTICES.†

Miscellaneous Originating Notices (e.g., Sale of Tenancies and Resumption of Holdings, &c.):			Number disposed of to 30th March, 1889, . . . . .	143	143
Applications received to 30th March, 1889, . . . . .	354	354	" in month of April, 1889, . . . . .	—	
Applications received in month of April, 1889, . . . . .	—		Transferred to Irish Land Commission Court to 30th Mar., 1889, . . . . .	25	26
			Transferred in month of April, 1889, . . . . .	—	
Total, . . . . .	—	354	Total disposed of, . . . . .	—	169

† The first notice of application to the Court, seeking its decision upon the true value of a tenancy, fair rent, avoidance of leases, or any other question which the Court has jurisdiction to decide under the Act, is termed an Originating Notice.

III.—APPLICATIONS BY LESSEE OR GRANTEE TO HAVE LEASE OR GRANT EXECUTED SINCE 1ST JANUARY, 1869, DECLARED VOID ("LAND LAW (IRELAND) ACT, 1887,"—SEC. 2).—FORM 80.

Number of Applications received to 23rd February, 1889,*	6	Leases or Grants declared void to 30th Mar., 1889, . . . . .	—	
		" in month of April, 1889, . . . . .	—	
		Applications dismissed or struck out to 30th Mar., 1889, . . . . .	3	
		" in month of April, 1889, . . . . .	—	3
		Applications withdrawn or compromised to 30th Mar., 1889, . . . . .	—	
		" in month of April, 1889, . . . . .	—	
		Applications transferred to Irish Land Commission Court to 30th Mar., 1889, . . . . .	—	
		" in month of April, 1889, . . . . .	—	
Total, . . . . .	6	Total disposed of, . . . . .	—	3

\* The time limited in the Act for lodging an Application of this kind expired on the 23rd February, 1889.

IV.—APPLICATIONS BY MIDDLEMAN CLAIMING TO BE ENTITLED TO SURRENDER HIS HOLDING UNDER SEC. 8 OF "LAND LAW (IRELAND) ACT, 1887."—FORM 83.

Number of Applications received to 30th March, 1889, . . . . .	13	Applications granted to 30th Mar., 1889, . . . . .	—	
" in month of April, 1889, . . . . .	—	" in month of April, 1889, . . . . .	—	
		Applications dismissed or struck out to 30th Mar., 1889, . . . . .	1	
		" in month of April, 1889, . . . . .	—	1
		Applications withdrawn to 30th Mar., 1889, . . . . .	—	
		" in month of April, 1889, . . . . .	—	
		Applications transferred to Irish Land Commission Court to 30th Mar., 1889, . . . . .	2	
		" in month of April, 1889, . . . . .	—	
Total, . . . . .	13	Total disposed of, . . . . .	—	3

Irish Land Commission, }  
23rd May, 1889.

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